Thank you so much, Kim!

On Fri, Sep 18, 2020 at 1:53 PM Kim Armeni - ZMM < $\underline{\text{kimberly armeni@gsa gov}} > \text{wrote} :$

Thanks All!

The first thread has been posted! I will post the second thread around 4:30 - 5PM

Thanks!

-Kimberly

On Fri, Sep 18, 2020 at 12:56 PM Amanda Osborn - ZMM <amanda osborn@gsa gov> wrote:

Thanks Andrea These tweets are cleared and good to go

On Fri, Sep 18, 2020 at 12:50 PM Andrea Sigritz (XCI) andrea sigritz@gsa gov> wrote: Hi Amanda

At Pam's request below we added you and removed her to this thread on amplifying AI Dereg on GSA social

Thanks!

Andrea

On Fri, Sep 18, 2020 at 12:47 PM Pamela Pennington - ZM pamela pennington@gsa gov> wrote:

I have a conflict of interest with this matter Please work with Amanda on this

Pamela D. Pennington

(b) (6) Press Secretary

Deputy Associate Administrator for Media Affairs Office of Strategic Communication U S General Services Administration pamela pennington@gsa.gov

On Fri, Sep 18, 2020 at 12:30 PM Andrea Sigritz (XCI) andrea sigritz@gsa gov> wrote: Hi Gabbie and Pam,

Mark gave us the go ahead to share on social some amplification of the Press Release that went out on Monday Below are the tweets we'd like the GSA main account to share, if applicable We do not have images or a time preference (per your earlier email Gabbie) I've cc'd my social TTS colleagues, Victoria and Dahianna for any additional questions

- BreakingNews! GSA issues a @GSACoE award to help federal agencies leverage #AI and #ML tech solutions to conduct regulatory review & improve the rule-making process.
 - [Thread] "This award announcement spo lights the strong partnership between he Federal Acquisition Service's (FAS) TTS, and FEDSIM, which has allowed the @GSACoE to provide agency partners improved acquisition capabilities," said FAS Acting Deputy Commissioner and @GSA_TTS Acting Director Bob De Luca.
- "We are pleased to offer an innovative acquisition solu ion to support our agency partners as they con inue their work in support of the Administration's regulatory reform activities," said GSA FAS Commissioner Julie Dunne.
 - "This award is ano her gratifying example of our FAS team providing innovative solutions and acquisition support, allowing our agency partners to focus on their core missions."

Thanks!

Andrea

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TTS Outreach Specialist

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Emily,
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I am forwarding you the FAS Weekly update. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Press Release(s) and Media Planned for Today and Week of August 7th:

Press

8/6 Media advisory for TTS Impact Summit Series Kickoff

8/7 Keith Nakasone Forbes interview (written response)

8/12 Press release announcing TTS Impact Summit Series Kickoff

8/13 Sam Navarro FNN Federal Executive Forum panel interview

8/13 Bob De Luca Nextgov interview

8/18 Anne Petersen Design Is Everywhere podcast

Blogs/Social Media/Web

8/6 Federal Marketplace Strategy Summer 2020 Release

8/6 Interact (MAS): Multi-Factor Authentica ion Replaces Digital Certifica ion and PIN Requirements for Signing Mass Mods on Aug. 8, 2020

TBD GGTT blog: 8(a) STARS II

TBD GGTT blog: IT Acquisition University

Events (Open Press - see also Approved Attendee Requests)

8/5 National 8(a) Webinar Series - Salomeh Ghorbani

8/6 ABA Conference - Keil Todd, Stephanie Shutt

MCCC GovConNet Pathway to Growth - Emily Murphy, Chris Bennethum, Keith Nakasone, Crystal Philcox, Steve Babitch

8/10 From Detroit to DC: Reimagining Design & Making Communities - Nina Bianchi

8/11 Carahsoft Citizen Experience Seminar - Ammie Faraj Feijoo, Dan Williams

8/12 TTS Impact Summit Series Kickoff

8/12 FITGov Summit 2020 - Kevin Funk

8/12 MCCC GovConNet Pathway to Growth - Paul Mar in

Internal

8/13 Town Hall - FAS/Administrator

Recent Highlights

7/30 Press release on IT Acquisition University

8/3 MAS Phase 3 news release

Office of Congressional & Intergovernmental Affairs (OCIA) Engagements, Briefings, Hearings, and Inquires

Briefings and Hearings:

- Office of Sen. Rob Portman on 8/04: OCIA par icipated in a call with staff from the Office of Sen. Rob Portman to discuss the STARS II ceiling increase
- Office of Rep. Rob Woodall on 8/05: OCIA participated in a call with staff from the Office of Sen. Rob Woodall to discuss he STARS II ceiling increase and POP
- Office of Rep. Bill Foster on 8/06: OCIA & TTS participated in a call with the Office of Sen. Bill Foster to discuss the GSA's efforts in digital identity

Technical Assistance and Casework:

- Follow up questions from Rep. Woodall's office on STARS II POP
- Closed follow up inquiry from House Committee on Small Business on ASTRO

Upcoming Briefings and Hearings

- 8/10 PSHCC will conduct a briefing with Senate Committee on Homeland Security on Smartpay
- TBD COE & OCIA will conduct a briefing with Congressional Budget Office on bill S4200

The USDA Rural Development Contract Opera ions Branch (12C0BZ) is preparing to issue a solicitation for a variety of Professional Support Services before the close of FY20. They first reached out in March 2020 seeking help with completing a section of their Performance Work Statement and were assisted by CAM Brian Boothe. Brian has worked with the USDA hrough a variety of their needs to set up he award, and is anticipa ing it to be made with OASIS SB Pool 1. The 5-year value of he opportunity is \$93M.

One Acquisition Solution for Integrated Services (OASIS) Small Business (SB), 8(a), and Unrestricted Solicitations August 6, 2020 Update:

- 1. Small Business (SB) On-Ramp:
 - Fifty notices to proceed (NTPs) were issued in SB Pool 1 and 120 in Pool 3 on July 23 to apparent awardees that do not require pre-award audit of he accounting system. FSS Online uploads of the new contractors are on-going, and they will be visible in eLibrary and eBuy on or around August 7, 2020. Three Court of Federal Claims protests and two GAO protests remain outstanding, in addition to the SBA size protests.
- 2. SB 8(a) On-Ramp:
 - The FAS Acquisition (FAC) panel briefing for 8(a) Phase 3 competi ive award is currently scheduled for August 7, 2020, subject to he possible rescheduling pending the final FAC panel briefing for Unrestricted Pools 1, 3, and 4. Projected award date is August 11, 2020. Awards issued on July 29, 2020 and July 31, 2020 for SubPools 1 and 3 have been entered into the system and are now available in eLibrary and eBuy.
- 3. Unrestricted (UR) On-Ramp:
 - The award decision document (ADD) for Pools 1, 3 and 4 is being reviewed by OGC. A date for FAS Acquisition (FAC) panel brief to be rescheduled is being discussed. The planned date for award announcement is August 12, 2020.

The FAC Panel is scheduled for Monday, August 10, 2020.

BCG Team Based Pricing Contract August 6, 2020 Update:

The contract office is reviewing the submission for a new labor rate pricing. Currently a new Communications plan is being created in order to facilitate proper notification to all stakeholders concerning the following:

The Contracting Officer has completed a review of the pricing documenta ion and determined that it is in the best interest of the federal government to allow the contract to expire on July 9, 2024 and not to exercise the final remaining op ion of the contract.

In short, the contract modification PO-0051 will remain in effect. This modification allows the contract to remain ac ive until July 9, 2024 without accepting new work unless against previously exis ing task orders, BPAs, and BPA task order calls. Since BCG can accept new work on EXISTING task orders, BPAs, and BPA task order calls, the impact on our customer agencies should be minimal by this determination. The contracting officer has started the process and currently has documentation in review with regional legal counsel. Also, a revised communications plan is being drafted for review as well.

Charge Card Operational Guidance Briefing for Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee:

In response to a request from Senate Homeland Security and Government Affairs Committee staff through the GSA Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs (OCIA), the Director of he Center for Charge Card Management (CCCM) will be providing a briefing on charge card internal controls, oversight tools, and operational guidance on August 10, 2020. Prebrief is being held with the Office of Congressional Affairs on August 7, 2020.

GSA SmartPay Training Forum 2020 August 6, 2020 Update:

This year's GSA SmartPay Training Forum is currently underway and being held virtually. 4,550 have registered for the event to date. The "live" portion of he virtual event will conclude the afternoon of Thursday August 6. On-Demand sessions will continue to be available through August 31, 2020.

Civilian Services Acquisition Workshop for Department of Transportation (DOT):

The Professional Services Category will deliver a co-facilitated Civilian Services Acquisition Workshop to the Department of Transportation led by Jona han Evans. The purpose of this 5-day workshop is to develop the mission, measurable objec ives, performance requirements and performance-based strategies for he Department of Transportation's Agency-Wide Technical Wri ing Services contract and a roadmap to complete it.

Air Force Security and Cooperation Directorate (AFSAC) - Vana Solutions SBIR III Award August 6, 2020 Update:

AFSAC has a requirement to transform their current digital environment and accelerate the pace at which it develops, tests, deploys, and sustains cloud environment capabilities. This requirement will enhance AFSAC's current Enterprise Case Portal (ECP) with pages for Case and Document details allowing for he tracking of tasks at the Document level. This enhancement is to create an electronic storage for country level information to align with Case and Document level information already established in ECP. This will further consolidate information used for case development and also enhance the Case level pages to provide more insight into he overall case life cycle through closure. This will allow for greater automation and will eliminate manual input of information for each case. Value of the Award: \$400,000.00

GSA Commercial Solutions Opening (CSO) Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Artificial Intelligence for Regulatory Streamlining Award August 6, 2020 Update:

The scope of this acquisition is to provide the sponsoring customers, CMS and GSA Technology Transforma ion Services (TTS) Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Center of Excellence (COE), a Software as a Service (SaaS) based solu ion with integration support for federal agency staff to modernize regulatory workflows. This may require minor agile software development in order to meet agency specific security requirements and or implement workflow processes unique to integrating and modernizing client agency sub regula ions in the out years of performance. **Estimated Value of Award: \$10,000,000**

ASTRO - FEDSIM Interagency Agreement (IAA) with Department of Defense (DoD)

The ASTRO and FEDSIM program office has entered into Interagency Agreements with two DoD clients to create a multiple award IDIQ contract for FEDSIM's and GSA AAS use in order to satisfy the requirements of various organizations hey support for the opera ions, maintenance, readiness, development, research and development, hardware, and systems integration of manned, unmanned, and optionally manned systems, robotics, and platforms, as well as the services that support hose systems, robotics, and platforms primarily within the realm of Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance (ISR). This includes, but is not limited to, services for data collection, data analysis, data visualization, and automa ion. These ISR systems, robotics, and platforms may be based on land, air, sea, and/or space. Value of the Award: TBD

United States Space Force (USSF) Military Satellite Communications (MILSATCOM) Division - Global Broadcast Service (GBS) Portable Receive Suites (PRSs) Award August 6, 2020 Update:

GBS utilizes a high-power spot beam space system for the rapid one-way transmission of high-volume data and video to support joint military forces ingarrison, in-transit, and in-theater anywhere in the world. GBS provides high-speed, high-quality; wideband broadcast communications to users on land and at sea. The GBS PRS provides secure and reliable broadcast services to Warfighters operating in deployed tactical areas worldwide. The incoming data can be relayed, stored, recorded, or consumed similar to commercial news service. GBS provides service to over 1000 receive suites deployed world-wide supporting the Department of Defense (DoD) and o her governmental organizations and agencies. This requirement is for the Suitcase Portable Receive Suite and Rucksack Portable Receive Suite. The Suitcase Portable Receive Suite (SPRS or AN/PRS-11) and Rucksack Portable Receive Suite (RPRS or AN/PRS-12) enable mobile users at the edge of the bat lefield to receive mission-critical data and video operational information for use by military decision makers and to support information dissemina ion to frontline troops. The SPRS and RPRS are designed for Special Operations Forces, or any military service, that require GBS connec ivity and a covert footprint in a standalone, single enclave device, but it is also fully capable of con inuous operation in garrison locations. Value of the Award: Estimated \$33,170,000

The United States Postal Service (USPS) Pilot Project:

The USPS and USAccess Managed Service Office are partnering on a 90-day PIV Credentialing Service Pilot. The pilot is currently in the planning and ini ial implementation phase. The targeted start date for the pilot is September 30, 2020. Together he MSO and USPS will stand-up 7 pilot sites located wi hin the DMV metropolitan area. The goal of the pilot is to explore shared service partnerships and ensure continuity of creden ialing opera ions that may be impacted by the pandemic and government shutdowns. This partnership will ensure identity and creden ialing services are continued.

Small Business Governmentwide Acquisition Contract (GWAC) August 6, 2020 Updates:

- 1. Replacement GWAC for Alliant 2 Small Business (A2SB):
 - a. ITC has scheduled a small business next genera ion GWAC Industry Engagement event for August 27, 2020. This will provide an opportunity for GSA to collaborate wi h industry partners on the future procurement strategy for the next generation small business GWAC to replace the recently cancelled A2SB GWAC.
- 2. 8(a) STARS II:
 - a. On August 4, 2020, 8(a) STARS II industry partners were no ified of GSA's inten ion to issue modification #8 (889B). Industry partners were informed that only firms who have signed previously-issued modifications would be eliqible for modification #8.
- 3. 8(a) STARS III:
 - a. The closing date for the 8(a) STARS III solicitation is set for August 19, 2020. GSA is still awaiting Execu ive Agent (EA) designation from the Office of Management and Budget.

Launching of Three Awarded Commercial Platforms August 11, 2020:

The Commercial Platforms team plans to launch the three awarded platforms on/about August 11, 2020 using a phased agency onboarding approach. The Department of Labor, Environmental Protec ion Agency, and GSA will go live next week, followed by he Department of Commerce, Health and Human Services and the Department of Justice in the following week(s). The program team is currently conducting agency training, organizing agency hierarchies, and loading agency admin accounts to each platform in advance of August 11, 2020. An informational landing page has launched on GSA.gov and will serve as a jumping-off point to each of the awarded platforms and will go live on August 10, 2020.

GSAAdvantage Version 6 of Laptop and Desktop Configurations and Specifications August 6, 2020 Update:

In alignment with the Office of Management and Budget M-16-02, the Government-wide Strategic Solutions (GSS) for Laptops and Desktops team (GSA/IT70, NASA SEWP, NIH/NITAAC, and Army Chess) finalized Version 6 of the laptop and desktop configurations and specifica ions on May 28, 2020. The update will go live on GSAAdvantage on August 6, 2020. Additions underway on each of the participating contract vehicles are scheduled to be available on he GSA Advantage! program page by August 7, 2020.

IT Schedule 70 has 27 participating vendors offering over 400 products under the program. Additionally, here are three single-award Blanket Purchase Agreements (BPAs) that support his effort. The period of performance of the BPAs is September 4, 2019 - September 3, 2022. As a point of reference, BPA sales for FY18 were \$52,618,950.7 and for FY19, \$101,509,214.01. Year-to-date sales for FY20 are \$73,855,061.90.

Three core Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) 3.0 Guidance Documents Published August 3, 2020 Update:

Upon receiving approval from the Office of Management and Budget, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) published final versions of three core Trusted Internet Connections (TIC) 3 0 guidance documents on July 31, 2020. CISA acknowledged GSA's support in their announcement.

An in-progress Enterprise Infrastructure Solutions contract modification will add updated TIC services to make it easier for agencies to buy and Industry to offer solutions for he security capabilities defined in CISA's guidance.

Section 889 Part B Preparation Activities August 6, 2020 Update:

In preparation for Section 889 Part B going into effect next week, he Office of Policy and Compliance (OPC) con inued to increase awareness across FAS and Industry. On August 5, 2020, OPC hosted the advanced MAS solicitation webinar for industry to discuss the upcoming Schedules Refresh on August 13, 2020 to include implementation of Sec ion 889 Part B. OPC answered questions from industry partners on he inclusion of Section 889 Part B requirements into MAS contracts. On August 6, 2020, OPC held the monthly SCRM Champ Summit which focused on providing an overview of the FASC Information Sharing Taskforce and a status update of Section 889 Part B. As part of the update, OPC highlighted the FAS specific Customer Talking points crafted by OPC and CASE, key acquisition impacts based on he draft Acquisition Letter, and tools to increase workforce and Industry awareness, including links to flyers and guidance and tools on InSite and Acquisition.gov. In addition, OPC briefed AAS front line leadership with 90 attendees from the entire AAS portfolio. To continue Industry awareness, all vendors, with contracts that will have the mass mod functionality automated, were notified via a personalized email message about the importance of modifying the contracts promptly as no new orders can be placed under the contract is modified to incorporate he FAR 52.204-25 clause. Las ly, OPC continues to capture ques ions from he workforce to address in upcoming FAQs that will be drafted in collaboration with OGP.

Update on 889 Part A implementation August 6, 2020 Update:

164 Schedule contracts are still pending acceptance of 889 Part A mass modification, which is required by Federal and GSA policy to implement Section 889(a)(1)(A) of the FY19 NDAA. Given he potential significant business impact to FAS and our customers, OPC collaborated with CASE and OESM to develop a phased approach to resolve these contracts. The first phase of this approach targets the 99 non-compliant contracts with zero sales from FY15-20. On July 31, 2020, OPC provided guidance to contract officers on how to resolve hese contracts and recommended hat hey proceed with contract cancellation for any contracts hat remained non-compliant. The second phase will target the remaining contracts that have recent sales, active orders, and active BPAs.

Training for Utilization of the Price Point Plus Portal (4P) Tool:

OPC led a 90 minute training on maximizing utilization of the Price Point Plus Portal (4P) tool. 4P provides on-demand on-demand market research and analysis for Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) and non-MAS contracts using XSB and GSA-analyzed data. approximate 100 AWF members attended with over 99% satisfaction.

On August 6, 2020, OPC conducted he first of two sessions on MAS New Award templates These templates facilitate consistency in documenting Multiple Award Schedule (MAS) awards of new offers and modifications through the use of standardized pre-nego ia ion, price negotiation and final proposal revision templates. This course had over 250 individuals enrolled.

Industry email regarding Section 889 of the FY 2019 National Defense Authorization Act: The Office of Policy and Compliance collaborated with CASE to issue an Industry email on July 31, 2020 advising of he implementation and implications of Section 889 of the FY 2019 Na ional Defense Authoriza ion Act (NDAA). The e-mail also invites industry to register for the 889 Webinar scheduled for August 12, 2020 at 1pm - 2pm ET. The email was delivered to over 14,000 industry partners.

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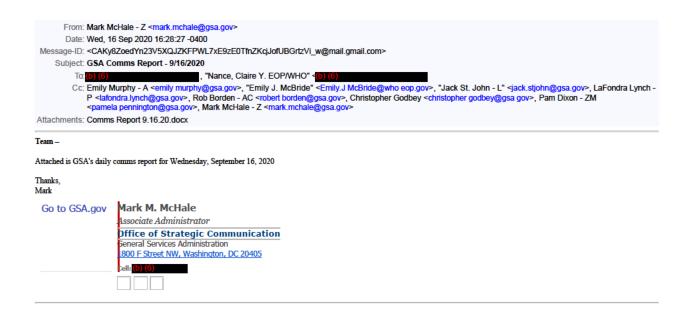
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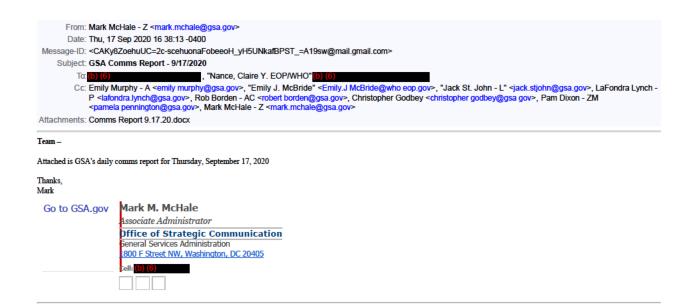
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